

**INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT  
FRIDAY, JUNE 25, 2004 – 0530 MDT  
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 2**

**CURRENT SITUATION:**

Initial attack activity was moderate in Southern California and light elsewhere with 213 fires reported nationally. Four new large fires were reported, one each in the Southwest, Southern California, Alaska and Southern Areas. Three large fires were contained, one each in the Northern California, Southern California and Southern Areas. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Nevada, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Oregon, Texas and Utah.

**ALASKA AREA LARGE FIRES:**

**SOLSTICE COMPLEX**, Alaska Fire Service-Upper Yukon Zone, Bureau of Land Management. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Jandt) is assigned. This incident is 57 miles northwest of Fort Yukon, AK in black spruce and tundra. The complex consists of the Pingo, Winter Trail, Khaalli, Sucker River, Vundik Lake, and Black Currant Lake fires. Extreme fire behavior continues on the Pingo and Winter Trail fires due to high winds, dry fuel conditions and high temperatures.

**CHICKEN**, Tok Area Forestry, Alaska Division of Forestry. A Type 2 Incident Management Team has been order. This fire is located 50 miles northeast of Tok, AK in black spruce and tundra. The fire made a major run to the south/southwest, and was difficult to size-up due to heavy smoke.

**BOUNDARY**, Fairbanks Area Forestry, Alaska Division of Forestry. This fire is 57 miles northeast of Fairbanks, AK in alpine tundra and black spruce. Extreme fire behavior was observed.

**PORCUPINE**, Tok Area Forestry, Alaska Division of Forestry. This fire is ten miles northeast of Tok, AK in grass and timber. A fast moving weather front passed through the area and resulted in fire runs through stands of black spruce. Reduction in acreage is due to more accurate mapping.

**AMERICAN SUMMIT**, Alaska Fire Service-Upper Yukon Zone, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is 17 miles southwest of Eagle, AK in black spruce. Heavy fuels, steep terrain, lack of water and low visibility due to smoke are major concerns. Low relative humidity, high temperatures have resulted in moderate fire behavior with torching.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
SOLSTICE COMPLEX	AK	UYD	124,730	7	UNK	225	8	0	3	0	1.4M
CHICKEN	AK	TAS	33,000	0	UNK	33	0	6	1	2	286K
BOUNDARY	AK	FAS	26,817	0	UNK	86	4	2	1	0	238K
PORCUPINE	AK	TAS	13,000	0	UNK	0	0	0	0	0	30K
AMERICAN SUMMIT	AK	UYD	10,240	0	UNK	81	3	0	1	0	NR

### SOUTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:

PEPPIN, Lincoln National Forest. This fire is six miles northeast of Capitan, NM in timber. Minimal surface fire was observed inside the fire's interior. Some unburned areas inside the perimeter will continue to burn until the monsoons arrive. This will be the last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

JACKET, Coconino National Forest. This fire is 13 miles southeast of Winona, AZ in grass, juniper and pinyon pine. Active fire behavior in the dead fuel component with torching and spotting was reported.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
PEPPIN	NM	LNF	64,488	95	UNK	0	0	0	0	12	7.2M
JACKET	AZ	COF	600	NR	UNK	0	0	0	0	0	2K

### NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
SKEDADDLE	CA	NOD	368	100	---	64	3	2	1	0	NR

NOD = Northern California Resource Area, Bureau of Land Management

### SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
SCOUT	CA	LPF	120	100	---	445	11	36	3	4	351K

LPF = Los Padres National Forest

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INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
ROCKEY POINT	FL	FNF	168	100	---	14	0	2	1	0	10K

FNF = National Forests in Florida

### OUTLOOK:

**Weather Discussion:** A low pressure system off the west coast will slowly make its way onshore, spreading moisture and instability inland. Thunderstorms will likely result over portions of the Northwest, Great Basin and Northern Rockies. In the Southwest, persistent moisture will be the cause of thunderstorms over New Mexico, with isolated thunderstorms over higher elevations in eastern Arizona. In Alaska, a weather system will start to move across the far northern part of the state. This will cause showers in the central interior and keep a chance of thunderstorms in place

over east-central sections of the state. Conditions will continue to be windy in the Copper River Basin as well.

Geographic Area Weather	High Temperatures	Minimum Relative Humidity	Wind
<p><b>ALASKA</b>  <b>Central and Eastern Interior</b>            Mostly sunny in the east and partly to mostly cloudy in the central areas. Isolated dry thunderstorms in the eastern interior.  <b>South Central</b>            Mostly sunny.  <b>Southeast</b>            Sunny.</p>	<p><b>Central and Eastern Interior</b>            70 to 90.  <b>South Central</b>            60s to 70s west, 80s Copper River Basin.  <b>Southeast</b>            60s coastal areas, lower 80s inland areas.</p>	<p><b>Central and Eastern Interior</b>            18 to 28% east, 30 to 45% west.  <b>South Central</b>            40 to 50% except 15 to 30% in the Copper River Basin.  <b>Southeast</b>            20 to 35%.</p>	<p><b>Central and Eastern Interior</b>            Southwest to northwest winds 10 to 15 mph.  <b>South Central</b>            Southwest winds 10 to 15 mph.  <b>Southeast</b>            Southwest 10 to 20 mph.</p>
<p><b>SOUTHWEST AREA</b>            Partly to mostly sunny western half of Arizona; otherwise partly to mostly cloudy. Widely scattered dry thunderstorms in western New Mexico and the rim region of Arizona, with scattered wet thunderstorms remainder.</p>	<p>60s and 70s mountains            80s lower elevations            95 to 105 southern Arizona deserts.</p>	<p>5 to 15% western third of New Mexico and much of Arizona.            15 to 30% remainder of Arizona and western New Mexico.            30 to 40% parts of west Texas.</p>	<p>Variable 5 to 15 mph, except east to southeast 10 to 20 mph eastern New Mexico and west Texas.</p>
<p><b>NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA</b>            Mostly clear with a 10% chance of afternoon and evening thunderstorms in northeast California. Areas of morning coastal low clouds and fog followed by afternoon clearing.</p>	<p>80s to mid 90s inland valleys.</p>	<p>13 to 27% inland valleys.</p>	<p>Afternoon wind southwest to northwest at 5 to 15 mph with local gusts 18 to 25 mph, except 30 mph east of the Cascade/ Sierra crest.</p>
<p><b>SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA</b>            Areas of morning low clouds and fog into the coastal valleys, otherwise mostly sunny, except partly cloudy with isolated afternoon thunderstorms from the Sierra eastward.</p>	<p>65 to 75 coastal areas.            75 to 90 mountains.            80 to 95 valleys.            90 to 100 upper deserts.            100 to 110 lower deserts.</p>	<p>12 to 25%.</p>	<p>Southwest to northwest 10 to 20 mph.</p>
<p><b>WESTERN GREAT BASIN AREA</b>            Partly to mostly sunny; isolated, mainly dry, thunderstorms possible in the north and east.</p>	<p>North Valleys: 85 to 96.            South Valleys: 90 to 100.            Mountains: 70s to low 80s.</p>	<p>North Valleys: 7 to 15%.            South Valleys: 6 to 12%.            Mountains: 10 to 22%.</p>	<p>Central and East: southwest to west at 5 to 15 mph.            West: southwest at 10 to 20 mph with gusts to 30 mph.</p>
<p><b>EASTERN GREAT BASIN</b>  <b>Idaho, Bridger-Teton:</b> Partly cloudy with widely scattered to scattered thunderstorms, mainly over mountains.  <b>Utah, Arizona Strip:</b> Partly cloudy with scattered thunderstorms, mainly over mountains.</p>	<p><b>Idaho, Bridger-Teton:</b>            58 to 75 mountains.            75 to 95 valleys.  <b>Utah and Arizona Strip:</b>            68 to 85 mountains.            85 to 99 valleys.</p>	<p><b>Idaho, Bridger-Teton:</b>            25 to 40% mountains.            13 to 25% valleys.  <b>Utah, Arizona Strip:</b>            22 to 35% mountains,            7 to 20% valleys.</p>	<p><b>Idaho, Bridger-Teton:</b>            West to northwest at 5 to 10 mph, gusty near thunderstorms.  <b>Utah, Arizona Strip:</b>            Upslope/upvalley at 5 to 10 mph, gusty near thunderstorms.</p>
<p><b>ROCKY MOUNTAIN AREA</b>            Isolated showers and scattered afternoon thunderstorms. Isolated dry</p>	<p>75 to 85 with 60s to lower 70s in the</p>	<p>Less than 20% across southwest Colorado with</p>	<p>Variable 5 to 15mph.</p>

lightning over southwest Colorado.	mountains.	25 to 45% elsewhere.	
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### **FIRE NOT SCOUTED AND SIZED UP**

Watchout Situation #1 comes up during initial attack and every time resources arrive at a fire.

● Before taking action on the fire, the following considerations must be addressed:

- Can you personally observe the fire or must you use scouts? Describe ways you can scout and size up a fire.
- Do you know the location of the fire perimeter? Discuss situations in which the fire perimeter may not be obvious. (Spotty fires, etc.)
- Do you know the direction of fire spread? When isn't the direction of fire spread obvious? (Wind shifts, spotty fires, etc.)
- Does the direction of fire spread increase risk? Talk about situations where you may have to approach the head of the fire. (Hiking down from a helispot, approaching from an existing road, switching winds, etc.)
- Do you know the fuels and their condition? What kind of information will you assume from what you already know about fuel types? (Spot fires in fir, extreme fire potential in flashy fuels, etc.)

● Continued from above...

- Do topographic hazards exist? What can you assume from what kind of terrain the fire covers? (Slope, chimneys, aspect, etc.)
- Does enough information exist to establish a plan of attack? When do you have enough information to begin fighting fire? What do you need to know?
- Do other dangers exist? Have you talked about factors specific to the area you are working in? (Hunters in the woods, drought, snag patches, etc.)

● To reduce the risks:

- Post lookouts until the fire is sized up and escape routes and safety zones are established.
- Retreat if the situation is too complex. Review fires where you had to wait until the area in which you were assigned to work was scouted and sized up before you were allowed onto the fireline.

**FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES		0	0	0	4		4
	ACRES		38,304	10,888	32	21,132		70,356
Northwest	FIRES	3	1			6	8	18
	ACRES	2	1			0	4	7
Northern California	FIRES	2	4			14	6	26
	ACRES	0	25			180	2	207
Southern California	FIRES		3			10	8	21
	ACRES		0			151	175	326
Northern Rockies	FIRES	2				3	7	12
	ACRES	0				31	0	31
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		9		1	6	11	27
	ACRES		2		0	4	0	6
Western Great Basin	FIRES		23			7		30
	ACRES		138			3		141
Southwest	FIRES	1	1		1	12	20	35
	ACRES	0	1		0	6	764	771
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		1				1	2
	ACRES		6				0	6
Eastern Area	FIRES					16		16
	ACRES					4		4
Southern Area	FIRES					6	16	22
	ACRES					5	1,137	1,142
TOTAL	FIRES	8	42	0	2	84	77	213
	ACRES	2	38,477	10,888	32	21,516	2,082	72,997

**FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	2	34	41	14	201	4	296
	ACRES	4	56,664	88,008	12,219	182,121	1	339,017
Northwest	FIRES	70	29	15	8	374	106	602
	ACRES	730	549	71	9	1,024	267	2,650
Northern California	FIRES	40	11	6	4	951	211	1,223
	ACRES	35	391	15	2	3,010	1,504	4,957
Southern California	FIRES	19	35	6	13	1,336	237	1,646
	ACRES	649	1,339	311	14	33,729	3,513	39,555
Northern Rockies	FIRES	732	19	14	5	327	134	1,231
	ACRES	4,137	194	485	0	8,660	3,288	16,764
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	2	119	2	10	66	85	284
	ACRES	2	6,010	1	32	809	394	7,248
Western Great Basin	FIRES	4	144		4	29	19	200
	ACRES	1	9,862		0	15	301	10,179
Southwest	FIRES	422	39	2	24	356	329	1,172
	ACRES	1,250	3,311	1	502	4,787	112,895	122,746
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	146	98	28	4	191	123	590
	ACRES	3,490	243	1,166	1	19,603	4,075	28,578
Eastern Area	FIRES	489		46	18	5,708	397	6,658
	ACRES	5,094		2,335	105	53,509	5,533	66,576
Southern Area	FIRES	114		46	33	21,908	539	22,640
	ACRES	15,598		4,681	1,024	261,326	72,935	355,564
TOTAL	FIRES	2,040	528	206	137	31,447	2,184	36,542
	ACRES	30,990	78,563	97,074	13,908	568,593	204,706	993,834

<b>Ten Year Average Fires</b>	<b>41,145</b>
<b>Ten Year Average Acres</b>	<b>1,165,305</b>

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**PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES				1			1
	ACRES				2			2
Northern Rockies	FIRES	2					1	3
	ACRES	67					12	79
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	2	0	0	1	0	1	4
	ACRES	67	0	0	2	0	12	81

**PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					5		5
	ACRES					2,097		2,097
Northwest	FIRES	38	76	34	1		251	400
	ACRES	7,626	6,807	3,641	30		58,177	76,281
Northern California	FIRES	14	39	10	17		183	263
	ACRES	251	731	13,566	2,690		22,617	39,855
Southern California	FIRES		4	9	8		71	92
	ACRES		28	869	328		6,212	7,437
Northern Rockies	FIRES	36	8	74	3	45	349	515
	ACRES	1,827	2,631	12,502	1,046	3,066	42,277	63,349
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	16	3	6	21	57	104
	ACRES	149	2,330	547	1,237	1,588	16,680	22,531
Western Great Basin	FIRES		4				5	9
	ACRES		80				971	1,051
Southwest	FIRES	14	13	7	10		276	320
	ACRES	2,796	4,821	10,519	7,777		66,084	91,997
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	42	39	108	18	12	112	331
	ACRES	5,117	11,851	19,596	12,964	3,947	45,521	98,996
Eastern Area	FIRES	20		346	23	608	177	1,174
	ACRES	14,454		39,838	4,443	59,280	27,868	145,883
Southern Area	FIRES	51		139	68	14,849	1,055	16,162
	ACRES	8,503		58,470	59,202	915,718	947,347	1,989,240
TOTAL	FIRES	216	199	730	154	15,540	2,536	19,375
	ACRES	40,723	29,279	159,548	89,717	985,696	1,233,754	2,538,717

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**WFU FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES				2			2
	ACRES				11,640			11,640
Northwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						222	222
Northern Rockies	FIRES				2		1	3
	ACRES				0		0	0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES		4					4
	ACRES		342					342
Southwest	FIRES				1		1	2
	ACRES				101		0	101
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		4			0	1	5
	ACRES		5,574			2,271	43	7,888
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	8	0	5	0	5	18
	ACRES	0	5,916	0	11,741	2,271	265	20,193

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**CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:**

PROVINCES	FIRES YESTERDAY	HECTARES YESTERDAY	FIRES YEAR-TO-DATE	HECTARES YEAR-TO-DATE
British Columbia	102	0	712	20,436
Yukon Territory	11	36,667	62	119,933
Alberta	3	3	685	2,756
Northwest Territory	4	7,514	24	13,033
Saskatchewan	2	0	118	680
Manitoba	0	0	70	404
Ontario	0	0	147	1,365
Quebec	1	0	176	590
Newfoundland	1	0	88	1,924
New Brunswick	0	0	209	381
Nova Scotia	0	0	183	206
Prince Edward Island	0	0	16	14
National Parks	0	5	22	12,042
<b>Total</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>44,189</b>	<b>2,512</b>	<b>173,764</b>

**RESOURCES STATUS: COMMITTED RESOURCES**

AREA	CREWS FED	CREWS ST/OT	ENGS FED	ENGS ST/OT	HELI FED	HELI ST/OT	AIRT FED	AIRT ST/OT	OVRHD FED	OVRHD ST/OT
Alaska	12	8		32	4	2			87	64
Northwest	48		13		22	1			105	28
Northern California	9	11	13		8				21	4
Southern California	24	12	37	16	16	4	1		69	16
Northern Rockies			2							
Eastern Great Basin	1		5	3	2				1	
Western Great Basin	3	1	3	1	1				1	1
Southwest	1			1		1			7	
Rocky Mountain			11	3	2	1			1	
Eastern Area										
Southern Area			2		1				4	
<b>Total</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>296</b>	<b>113</b>

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